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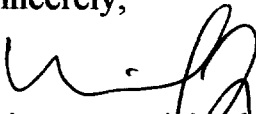
February 16, 1999

Magalie Roman Salas, Esquire
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Room 222
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for Bayfield, Colorado.

Sincerely,



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Before the
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In the matter of:

Amendment of Section 73.202 (b)

Table of Allotments

FM Broadcast Stations

(Bayfield, Colorado)

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PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 237A (95.3 Mhz) to Bayfield, Colorado as its first local FM allotment.

INTRODUCTION

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 237A (95.3 Mhz) to Bayfield and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 237A to Bayfield will have.

DISCUSSION

2. Bayfield is located in Southwest Colorado. It is also located within La Plata County, a county of some 32,284 persons. Bayfield has a population of 1090 persons in accordance with the U.S. 1990 census.

3. The allotment of channel 237A to Bayfield will provide the first local broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment to Bayfield is located at Durango, Colorado. Durango is located 23 kilometers from Bayfield.

It is obvious that from the above spacing that Bayfield is presently without local FM service.

4. Bayfield would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no AM or FM broadcast facilities within 17 Kilometers of Bayfield. Because of this, it would have an outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having a local communications outlet for warning the Bayfield area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards.

5. Channel 237A can be allotted to Bayfield and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73.202.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Bayfield, Colorado	-----	237A

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 237A and the pertinent adjacent channels to 237A have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study (N 37 - 13' - 42", W. 107 - 36' - 00") are that of a site located within the community of Bayfield. No site restriction will be required to allot channel 237A to Bayfield. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of Bayfield. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

CONCLUSION

7. It has been shown that Bayfield would benefit from the allotment of channel 237A. It has also been shown that channel 237A can be allotted to Bayfield and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 237A for Bayfield, Colorado , 73.202.

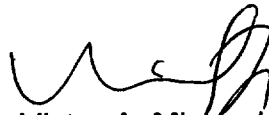
8. Should channel 237A be allotted to Bayfield, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for Bayfield, Colorado.

CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated: February 10, 1999

Respectfully submitted,



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MAPFM search of channel 237A6 (95.3 MHz), at N. 37 13 42, W. 107 36 0.

Searching Channel 237A6 (95.3 MHz):

CALL	CITY	ST	CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
ALC	Aztec	NM	235	C1	U	80.8	75.0	223.3°	5.8
KWYKFM	Aztec	NM	235	C1	L	80.8	75.0	223.3°	5.8
ALC	Delta	CO	236	C	U	191.1	165.0	343.3°	26.1
KKNN	Delta	CO	236	C	L	191.1	165.0	343.3°	26.1
ALC	Monte Vista	CO	237	A	U	135.0	115.0	72.1°	20.0
K237CR	Hesperus	CO	237	D	L	47.3	0.0	289.9°	47.3
KSLVFM	Monte Vista	CO	237	A	L	135.0	115.0	72.1°	20.0
ALC	Santa Fe	NM	238	C1	U	184.4	133.0	143.9°	51.4
KMMG	Santa Fe	NM	238	C1	L	187.2	133.0	149.1°	54.2
ALC	Farmington	NM	239	C1	U	76.8	75.0	224.4°	1.8
KPCL	Farmington	NM	239	C1	L	80.9	75.0	223.0°	5.9
K290AD	Durango	CO	290	D	L	27.4	0.0	277.8°	27.4
NEW-T	Aztec	NM	291	D	A	63.4	0.0	217.0°	63.4
NEW-T	Cedar Hill	NM	291	D	A	52.8	0.0	209.5°	52.8

FIGURE 1
MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING
BAYFIELD, COLORADO